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<u>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME</u> <u>under C.F.R. § 1.136(a)</u>

Sir:

For replying to the Office action dated <u>March 21, 2006</u> in the patent application identified above, Applicant(s) hereby request an extension of time of <u>three months</u>, from <u>June 21, 2006</u> to <u>September 21, 2006</u>.

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Respectfully submitted,

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